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Public Hunting Club To Be Open This Season

Louisiana's only state owned public shooting club, the 66,000 acre Pass-a-Loutre Club located in Plaquemines Parish at the mouth of the Mississippi River will be open to the public this year during the duck hunting season which extends from November 23rd through January 6th, it has been announced by Commissioner Luther S. Montgomery.

This is the first time since the war that the club will be open and it will be operated on a "first come, first served" basis, under the supervision of Major James Brown, director of the Department's Fish and Game Division.

Reservations for the Pass-a-Loutre Club are now being accepted and may be made by mail or wire addressed to the Fish and Game Division, Wild Life and Fisheries Department, 126 Civil Courts Bldg., New Orleans, or by telephoning Magnolia 1981, extensions 27 or 38.

An Advisory committee of three prominent Louisiana sportsmen has been appointed to advise and assist with the operation of the club. This committee consists of Richard R. Foster, James Hanemann and Louis V. Rand. The regulations for the operation of the club were drawn up by this committee.

Here are the rules and regulations for the operation of the club:

Rates are $16.00 (sixteen dollars) per day. This includes transportation from Venice to the club house at Pass-a-Loutre, lodging, meals, guide, decoys, pirogues, and transportation from the club house to the hunting areas, and transportation from the club house to Venice at the end of reservation.

A deposit of $16.00 (sixteen

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WILDLIFE EXHIBIT AT PARISH FAIRS

With Parish Fairs under way this Fall for the first time since the war, the Department of Wild Life and Fisheries has prepared an exhibit especially for such expositions and the exhibit, which is shown above, was seen at the Tangipahoa Parish Fair at Independence; the Washington Parish Fair at Franklinton, and the Louisiana State Fair at Shreveport. Due to conflicting dates it was not possible for the Department to participate in many other Parish Fairs to which it had been invited.

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR HUNTERS

Duck Stamps are required for those who hunt for ducks and geese. They can be obtained at any postoffice for $1. Duck Stamps are not needed for Coots or Doves or any other Migratory Game.

Shooting hours for all migratory game, **except doves**, are from one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour before sunset. This applies to ducks, geese, coots and all shore birds, such as Woodcock, Rails and Gallinules.

Shooting hours for doves are from one-half hour before sunrise to sunset.

Resident hunting licenses this season are $2, and for non-residents, they are $25, good for the entire hunting season.

Scrambled Deer Season Gets Under Way in Some Parishes November 1st

Louisiana's scrambled deer season gets under way in some parishes on November 1st, and there are staggered days for hunting in most parishes. The season on deer varies, and this has been brought about for the first time this year, as a result of passage of Act 284 of the 1946 Legislature which gave authority to Police Juries to set their own seasons, not to exceed a maximum of 45 days, and provided the dates were between November 1st and January 10th.

DEER SEASONS BY PARISHES

A table showing information on deer seasons in the various parishes will be found on page 5. Copies of this compilation can be obtained from any sheriff's office, from any Wild Life enforcement agent, or from the Wild Life and Fisheries Department in the Civil Courts Bldg., New Orleans.

Only a few parishes have set seasons to extend the maximum of 45 days. Some have set as few as six days.

Eleven parishes have closed the season on deer. Quite a number of parishes have not taken any action at all, mostly because of the fact that they consider they have no deer in their parishes and therefore action is not required.

In such cases, it is not clear, according to the legal division of the Wild Life and Fisheries Department what the effect will be, since the law itself has not de-

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Lowering of Saline Lake Is Expected To Bring Benefits

Declaring that tremendous benefit in improved fishing and better feeding conditions for migratory waterfowl would result from the recent drawdown on Saline Lake in the Northwest Louisiana Fish and Game Preserve, officials of the Wild Life and Fisheries Department have officially denied the reports that large numbers of fish have been killed as a result of the operation.

Commissioner Luther S, Montgomery stated that Major James Brown, director of the Department's Fish and Game Division, under whose supervision the water level of the lake was lowered, had made numerous inspection trips to the Fish and Game Preserve while the operation was under way and that with the exception of shad, very few game and commercial fish were observed that had died because of the drawdown.

Both officials stated that lowering of the level of Saline Lake was made necessary for two very important reasons. First from a biological viewpoint, it has been definitely proven that impounded waters must be drawn down every few years in order to keep proper conditions for the fish life within those waters and to keep healthy the food plants that are used by migratory waterfowl. Second, necessary repairs to Allen Dam and installation of a fill and spillway to stop the overflow of water from the Prairie to Bayou Bourbeaux through the Chivary, the ridge that runs between the Prairie and Bayou Bourbeaux for which the last session of the Legislature make available an appropriation of $30,000. They could not have been undertaken unless the drawdown had taken place.

Referring further to the reasons for the drawdown, Major Brown declared that scientific surveys have proven that any impounded waters that are not drawn down and left open to the sunlight, will, in a few years begin to sour and eventually become devoid of most of the cover and life that the fish need, as well as almost a complete loss of valuable duck food plants.

"This action has been under consideration for a number of years", Major Brown stated, "and numerous meetings have been held with sportsmen and commercial fishing camp owners at which time the subject of the drawdown was thoroughly discussed from the standpoint not only of the game fish but also the commercial fishing. It was the concensus of opinion of the sportsmen and the commercial camp owners, with very few exceptions, that the drawdown should take place under the supervision of this Department".

Another factor, which entered into the picture later, was the fact that the water level of the entire Northwest Louisiana Fish and Game Preserve was being seriously threatened by a break through from the Prairie, one of the bodies of water on the preserve, which had broken through the ridge that runs between the Prairie and Bayou Bourbeaux. This break through has been getting deeper and deeper and would eventually have affected the levels in Clear and Black Lakes. Allen Dam below Saline Bayou was also in need of repair, and neither of these projects would have been possible without the drawdown on Saline Lake, Major Brown stated.

The $30,000 appropriation made by the Legislature is to be used to repair Allen Dam and also to fill in and provide a spillway in the Chivary or ridge to restore the proper water levels. Work on both of these projects are now under way.

WOLFLEY NAMED DEPUTY GAME MANAGEMENT AGENT

Jacob W. Wolfley, enforcement ranger for the Wild Life and Fisheries Department since 1940, has resigned to accept a position with the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service as a Deputy Game Management Agent for Louisiana. He will work with Charles L. Horner, who has been U. S. Game Management Agent in this State since last July. Wolfley has been with the Louisiana Department since 1940, with the exception of three years in the armed services. He resumed his post with the Department following his discharge last November.

ALLEN PARISH SPORTSMEN ORGANIZE NEW CLUB

The latest unit of the Louisiana Wildlife Federation was the Allen Parish Sportsmen Club recently organized, with an initial membership of 152. D. D. Davis of Oakdale was elected president of the new club, Curtis Cook of Oakdale was named vice-president and Willard Beeson of Elizabeth was elected secretary-treasurer.

Directors elected were Jim Carroll, Charles Evans of Oakdale; G. C. Meaux, Oberlin, W. S. Kingrey, Kinder, Marvin Houston and S. C. Knight, Elizabeth.

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GOWANLOCH NAMED ON BOARD OF SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY ASS'N

Another honor has come to Dr. James N. Gowanloch, chief biologist of the Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Department with the announcement of his appointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Southern Association of Science and Industry.

The Council is the only agency of its kind in the South today which embraces the combined efforts of educators, scientists, business men, agriculturists and industrialists in a general overall effort to emphasize the importance of research and to improve natural science education which is of paramount importance to the South.

Trustees of the organization comprise leading scientists and educators throughout the entire South.

Three Constitutional Amendments Pertain to Fish and Game

Among the thirty-one Constitutional Amendments to be voted on by the people of Louisiana at the general election to be held Tuesday, November 5th, are three pertaining to Fish and Game. The three follow each other on the ballot and are Numbers 20, 21 and 22. Amendment Number 20 will give Justices of the Peace concurrent jurisdiction with district courts involving misdemeanors pertaining to fish and game violations. Amendment Number 21 gives District Courts jurisdiction of appeals from judgments of justices of Peace. Amendment Number 22 provides that District Courts in parishes bordering along the Gulf of Mexico have jurisdiction in violations of seafood laws that occur in the Gulf of Mexico within Louisiana territorial jurisdiction.

The complete text of each of these three Constitutional Amendments follows:

AMENDMENT No. 20

ACT No. 408

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an Amendment to Section 48 of Article VII of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana relative to the jurisdiction of Justice of the Peace by conferring upon such Justices concurrent jurisdiction with the District Courts of all misdemeanors involving violations of all laws and regulations relative to fish and game resources or the taking thereof of the State of Louisiana.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of all members elected to each House concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the State of Louisiana for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law a proposition to amend Section 48 of Article VII of the Constitution of Louisiana so that the same shall read as follows:

"Section 48. Justices of the Peace shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the District Courts in all civil matters when the amount in dispute shall not exceed one hundred dollars, exclusive of interest, including suits for the possession or ownership of movable property not exceeding said amount in value, and in suits of landlords for the possession of leased premises, where the monthly or yearly rent, or the rent for the unexpired term of the lease, does not exceed said amount.

They shall have no jurisdiction in succession or probate matters, or when a succession is defendant, or when the State, Parish or Municipality, or other political corporation, is party defendant, or when the title to real estate is involved.

They shall have criminal jurisdiction, as committing magistrates only, and shall have power to bail or discharge, in cases not capital or necessarily punishable at hard labor, and may require bonds to keep the peace.

They shall further have criminal jurisdiction concurrently with the District Courts of all misdemeanors involving violations of the laws of the State, or any to conserve the fish and game resources or the taking thereof; and for each such trial shall be entitled to impose a fine upon the person or persons found guilty of such violations.

They shall be entitled to a fee of $5.00 in each instance where such fine has been imposed which shall be taxed as cost."

Section 2. That said proposed amendment be so submitted to the Peace, by conferring upon such Justices concurrent jurisdiction with the District Courts of misdemeanors involving violations of laws and regulations relative to fish and game resources or the taking thereof.

and also:

AGAINST the proposed amendment to Section 48 of Article VII of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace, by conferring upon such Justices concurrent jurisdiction with the District Courts of misdemeanors involving violations of laws and regulations relative to fish and game resources or the taking thereof.

SAMPLE BALLOT

In order that sportsmen may be able to recognize the Amendments on the ballot that pertain to fish and game, we reprint herewith that portion of the ballot which contains the Amendments of interest to sportsmen.

20	**FOR** the proposed amendment to Section 48 of Article VII of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace, by conferring upon such Justices concurrent jurisdiction with the District Courts of misdemeanors involving violations of laws and regulations relative to fish and game resources or the taking thereof.	
	AGAINST the proposed amendment to Section 48 of Article VII of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace, by conferring upon such Justices concurrent jurisdiction with the District Courts of misdemeanors involving violations of laws and regulations relative to fish and game resources or the taking thereof.	
21	**FOR** the proposed amendment to Section 36 of Article VII of the Constitution of Louisiana, giving the District Courts jurisdiction of appeals from judgments of Justices of the Peace regarding all misdemeanors involving violations of laws and regulations relative to fish, game and wildlife resources, or the taking thereof, of the State of Louisiana.	
	AGAINST the proposed amendment to Section 36 of Article VII of the Constitution of Louisiana, giving the District Courts jurisdiction of appeals from judgments of Justices of the Peace regarding all misdemeanors involving violation of laws and regulations relative to fish, game and wildlife resources, or the taking thereof, of the State of Louisiana.	
22	**FOR** the proposed amendment to Section 1 of Article VI of the Constitution of Louisiana, authorizing District Courts of all parishes bordering upon the Gulf of Mexico to try all violations of fish and game laws occurring in the Louisiana coastal waters of the Gulf of Mexico.	
	AGAINST the proposed amendment to Section 1 of Article VI of the Constitution of Louisiana, authorizing District Courts of all parishes bordering upon the Gulf of Mexico to try all violations of fish and game laws occurring in the Louisiana coastal waters of the Gulf of Mexico.	

regulation thereof, duly enacted said electors at the next election for Representatives in Congress, to be held in Louisiana on the first Tuesday next following the first Monday in November, 1946.

Section 3. That on the official ballot to be used at said election there shall be printed:

FOR the proposed amendment to Section 48 of Article VII of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to the jurisdiction of Justices of tices of the Peace, by conferring upon such Justices concurrent jurisdiction with the District Courts of misdemeanors involving violations of laws and regulations relative to fish and game resources or the taking thereof.

and each elector voting on said proposition for so amending said Constitution shall indicate his vote relative thereto in the manner provided by the general election laws of the State of Louisiana.

Adopted at the Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana for the year 1946.

A true copy:

WADE O. MARTIN, JR.,
Secretary of State.

AMENDMENT No. 21

ACT No. 409

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to Section 36 of Article VII of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana, giving the District Courts jurisdiction of appeals from judgments of Justices of the Peace regarding all misdemeanors involving violations, of all laws and regulations relative to fish, game, and wildlife resources, or the taking thereof, of the State of Louisiana.

Section 1. Be It Resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of all Members elected to each House concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the State of Louisiana for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law a proposition to amend Section 36 of Article VII of the Constitution of Louisiana so that the same shall read as follows:

"Section 36. The District Courts shall have jurisdiction of appeals from Justices of the Peace from orders requiring peace bonds, and from Judgment or sentences, as the case may be, in misdemeanors involving violations of all laws and regulations relative to fish, game and wildlife resources, or the taking thereof, and all civil matters regardless of the amount in dispute, except cases where immovable property, either separately or in conjunction with movable property, is claimed as a homestead. Persons sentenced to pay fine or to imprisonment, by Mayors, Recorders or Municipal Courts, shall be entitled to an appeal to the District Court of the Parish, upon giving security for fine and costs of court, and in such cases trials shall be de novo and without juries."

Section 2. That said proposed amendment be so submitted to

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Propose Fishery Compact Among Gulf States

Establishment of an interstate committee to further fishery activities of the various Gulf States was discussed in New Orleans at a meeting attended by representatives of Fish and Game Departments from Louisiana, Mississippi, Texas and Alabama. The meeting was sponsored by the Council of State Governments and was attended by Hubert R. Gallagher, associate director of that organization, with headquarters in Washington.

It was decided that a committee, composed of representatives from Louisiana, Texas, Alabama and Mississippi be named to meet again in New Orleans on December 4th and 5th to consider the enacting of the necessary enabling machinery and the drawing up of a compact to be presented to the various states for their ratification. Cooperative bodies of this type have already been formed in the Atlantic and Pacific States.

Compacts of this type would have to be approved by the Legislatures of the various States and also by Congress. The entire movement, which has as its purpose, the coordination and furtherance of fishery activities, is being sponsored by the Council of State Governments.

Attending the meeting in New Orleans in addition to Mr. Gallagher, representing the Council, were William W. Anderson of the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, New Orleans; James N. McConnell, director of the Division of Oyster and Waterbottoms and Dr. James N. Gowanloch, chief biologist of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries; Walter Milner of the Mississippi Game and Fish Commission; J. L. Baughman of the Texas Game, Fish and Oyster Commission; Graham Hixon and W. T. Hieronyomus of the Alabama Department of Conservation.

The Compact would operate somewhat along the lines of the Interstate Oil Compact Commission, which has been in existence for many years among the oil producing States, and of which Louisiana is a member.

OUTDOOR LIFE TO NAME WINNERS IN JANUARY

Louisiana Game, Fur and Fish has been advised by Raymond J. Brown, editor of Outdoor Life, that the winners of the recent Conservation Pledge Contest conducted by that publication, will probably be announced in the January issue of its magazine. The tremendous number of entries it received has resulted in a big job for the judges. Many Louisianians submitted entries in that contest.

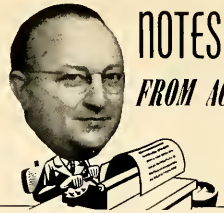
Lafourche Club Receives Trophy

Above is a photo of the Governor Davis trophy which was awarded to the Sportsmen's Club showing the largest increase in membership. The trophy was won by the Lafourche Sportsmen's Club at the conclusion of the membership contest last April, but was not available at that time. It was formally presented to the Lafourche Club at a meeting held in Thibodaux on September 25th by Lieutenant Governor Verret, representing Governor Davis, and was accepted on behalf of the Lafourche Club by Eugene O. Knobloch, its secretary and chairman of its membership committee. Terms of the membership award provide that the trophy shall remain in the permanent possession of the club that wins it for three consecutive years.

JACKSON PARISH FISHING CLUB FORMED

The Jackson Parish Fishing Club was organized at a meeting held the evening of September 17th in the Community Hall at Hodge. Charter membership of the club is 106.

Harold Daricek was named president. Others elected were Jack Richardson, vice-president, and Jimmy Gimber, secretary-treasurer. Directors elected were W. S. McDonald, George H. Robinson, Ira Bowman, E. L. Thompson and H. L. Caldwell.



NOTES & OBSERVATIONS...

FROM ACROSS THE EDITOR'S DESK

BY Isaac Chapman

It's tough enough job to enforce the laws when you know what they are, but when you don't know the law, its even worse. That's the situation confronting wildlife enforcement officers this year on the deer season and also, of course, it affects the deer hunters themselves. It all came about when the Legislature enacted a law to give police juries the right to set their own deer seasons, with certain limitations. These limitations were two in number. First, that the deer season should be between November 1st and January 10th, and second, that it cannot exceed a maximum of 45 days. That sounds simple enough but it hasn't been working out that way.

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Some police juries, apparently not having adding machines in good working order, passed ordinances providing dates for deer hunting that exceeded 45 days. They had to be told that this was illegal and they had to do it over again. Others took action and failed to notify the Department and it took quite a bit of letter writing and phoning, in some cases, to get the information, so that it could be made available to agents who are required to enforce the law and also deer hunters who want to know what the law is. Still other parish bodies haven't taken any action at all, because they say, there is no deer in their parish, so what's the use? It's assumed, and to all intents and purposes, there is a closed season for deer in such parishes. But what happens, if anybody should accidently find and shoot a deer in such parish? Could such a person be prosecuted? The Police Jury took no official action in closing the season, so what authority would there be for prosecution? The law states the police jury shall fix the deer season not to exceed 45 days, or may close it entirely with the Commissioner's approval. It doesn't say what happens if the police jury doesn't take any action at all.

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That's just one of the perplexing problems on the deer season. Then there is the question of possession of deer. What happens when a hunter living in a parish where the season is closed goes into an adjoining parish where it is legal to hunt deer, bags a deer and brings it back to his parish where it is illegal to kill or possess deer? The hunter will have to prove that the deer he possesses was killed in a parish where it is legal to kill deer. We don't know the reasons for this local option law on deer seasons, but it wouldn't surprise us to see the deer hunters themselves try to do something about it at the next session of the Legislature, just like the sport fishermen did something about that state-wide closed fishing law which was tried for two years.

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Things we didn't know before Department: An official of the Department of Game and Fish in South Dakota recently stated that 5,000 Louisianians obtained licenses to hunt Pheasants in South Dakota last year, and they are expecting 10,000 from Louisiana this year . . . Incidently the Pheasant season in South Dakota this year is from October 15 to December 13th . . . During the past ten years in Louisiana the increase in the number of resident hunting licenses sold has been over 300 percent. Judging from the way licenses are being sold now this year's number will set an all-time high record in Louisiana . . . Tennessee calls cracks in its highways by the nice name of "surface failures", we found out on a recent trip. Louisiana uses plain language and calls it broken pavement which is what it is. (This hasn't anything to do with conservation, but its educational, isn't it?) . . . Al Day, chief of the U. S. Fish and Wildlife service estimates that 2,000,000 duck stamps will be sold this year compared with 783,000 in 1938. He estimates further that the duck kill increased from 16,000,000 in 1943 to 23,000,000 in 1945, while the duck population dropped from 125,350,000 in January, 1944 to 80,000,000 in January, 1946.

Louisiana Deer Hunting Seasons by Parishes

FOR THE SEASON BEGINNING NOVEMBER 1 1946 AND ENDING JANUARY 10 1947

PARISH	SEASON DATES
ACADIA	No Action Taken.*
ALLEN	Closed.
ASCENSION	Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays and holidays only from Nov. 1 thru January 10.
ASSUMPTION	Sunday, Nov. 3; Sunday, Nov. 10; Sunday, Nov 17; Sunday, Nov. 24; Dec. 1 thru Jan. 10.
AVOYELLES	Nov. 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 19, 20, 21, 26, 27; Dec. 1 thru 31, Jan. 1.
BEAUREGARD	Nov. 1 thru Dec. 15.
BIENVILLE	Closed.
BOSSIER	Nov. 1 thru Dec. 15.
CADDO	No Action Taken.*
CALCASIEU	Nov. 1 thru Dec. 15.
CALDWELL	Closed.
CAMERON	No Action Taken.*
CATAHOULA	Nov. 15, 16, 17, 26, 27, 28; Dec. 6, 8, 10, 11, 12, 17, 19, 29, 30, 31; Jan. 3, 5, 8, 9, 10.
CLAIBORNE	Closed.
CONCORDIA	Nov. 15, 16, 17; Dec. 10, 11, 12, 21, 22, 23; Jan. 7, 8 and 9.
DE SOTO	Nov. 1 thru Dec. 15.
EAST BATON ROUGE	Sunday, Nov. 3; Sunday, Nov. 10; Sunday, Nov. 17; Sunday, Nov. 24; Dec. 1 thru Jan. 10.
EAST CARROLL	Nov. 15 thru Nov. 19; Dec. 12 thru Dec. 17; Dec. 25 thru Dec. 31.
EAST FELICIANA	No Action Taken.*
EVANGELINE	Closed.
FRANKLIN	Nov. 18 thru Jan. 1.
GRANT	Nov. 15 thru Dec. 29.
IBERIA	Sunday, Nov. 3; Sunday, Nov. 10; Sunday, Nov. 17; Sunday, Nov. 24; Dec. 1 thru Jan. 10.
IBERVILLE	Sunday, Nov. 3; Sunday, Nov. 10; Sunday, Nov. 17; Sunday, Nov. 24; Dec. 1 thru Jan. 10.
JACKSON	Nov. 18, 19, 20; Dec. 24, 25, 26
JEFFERSON	Nov. 1 thru 11; Nov. 15, 16, 17; Nov. 22, 23, 24, 29, 30; Dec. 1, 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 24, 27, 28, 29, 31; Jan. 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10.
JEFF DAVIS	Closed.
LAFAYETTE	No Action Taken.*
LAFOURCHE	Nov. 1 thru Nov. 15; Dec. 11 thru Jan. 10.
LA SALLE	Nov. 16 thru Dec. 30.
LINCOLN	Closed.
LIVINGSTON	Nov. 1 thru Dec. 15.
MADISON	Closed.
MOREHOUSE	Nov. 15 thru Dec. 29.
NATCHITOCHES	Closed.
ORLEANS	Nov. 1, 2, 3, 8 thru 11, 15, 16, 17, 22, 23, 24, 26, 29, 30; Dec. 1, 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 24, 27, 28, 29, 31; Jan. 3 thru 10.
OUACHITA	Nov. 1 thru Nov. 9; Nov. 27 thru Dec. 1.
PLAQUEMINES	Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from Nov. 1 thru Jan. 10.
POINTE COUPEE	Nov. 17 thru Jan. 10.
RAPIDES	Nov. 15 thru Dec. 30.
RED RIVER	Closed.
RICHLAND	Nov. 1 thru Nov. 30; Dec. 17 thru Dec. 31.
SABINE	Closed.
ST. BERNARD	Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays and all legal holidays between Nov. 1 and January 10.
ST. CHARLES	Nov. 18 thru Jan. 1.
ST. HELENA	Nov. 1 thru Dec. 15.
ST. JAMES	Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays and holidays between Nov. 1 and Jan. 10.
ST. JOHN	Nov. 1, 2, 3, 8 thru 11, 15, 16, 17, 22 thru 30; Dec. 1, 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 20 thru 24, 27 thru 29, 31; Jan. 1 thru 10.
ST. LANDRY	Nov. 27 thru Jan. 10.
ST. MARTIN	Nov. 27 thru Jan. 10.
ST. MARY	Nov. 1 thru Dec. 15.
ST. TAMMANY	Nov. 1 thru Dec. 14.
TANGIPAHOA	Nov. 1 thru Nov. 19; Saturdays and Sundays, Nov. 23, 24; Nov. 30; Dec. 1, 7, 8, 14, 15, 21 thru Jan. 7.
TENSAS	Nov. 28 thru Jan. 10.
TERREBONNE	Nov. 1 thru Nov. 15; Dec. 11 thru Jan. 10.
UNION	Nov. 15 thru Dec. 29.
VERMILION	Nov. 1 thru Dec. 15.
VERNON	Nov. 15 thru Dec. 31.
WASHINGTON	Nov. 1 thru Dec. 15.
WEBSTER	Closed.
WEST BATON ROUGE	Sunday, Nov. 3; Sunday, Nov. 10; Sunday, Nov. 17; Sunday, Nov. 24; Dec. 1 thru Jan. 10.
WEST CARROLL	Closed.
WEST FELICIANA	Nov. 1 thru Dec. 15.
WINN	Nov. 15, 16, 18, 20, 25, 27; Dec. 2, 3, 5, 6, 9, 10.

* Where Police Juries have failed to take any action, it is assumed, according to the legal division of the Wild Life and Fisheries Department, that there is a closed season in that parish.

WILDLIFE WORK

(From the Minden Herald)

The Webster Parish Wildlife Association is beginning its annual drive for members. This year Ed Kleinegger, vice-president of the organization will lead the drive. Walter White is president of the Association.

There are many things that a wildlife association can do. Every man and woman in Webster Parish who has a hunting or fishing license should belong to the organization. It is working for the improvement of Webster parish wildlife.

One of the outstanding things that it can do will be planting and maintaining feeding grounds for ducks. There are two schools of thought on the duck hunting situation in Webster parish. One side maintains that a late season will encourage the ducks to remain here when they first fly in and if they are not immediately disturbed a large number will stay here instead of going further south. The other school maintains that with proper feeding grounds and an early duck season our shooting will be made much better because the ducks will not leave good feeding grounds.

It is expensive to plant a feeding ground. It would probably cost at least $1,000 to plant enough feed and maintain grounds that would be of real value to this area. A large membership in Webster parish can go a long way in backing up requests made to the state for proper feeding grounds and further aids to the wildlife situation in this parish.

The theme of the campaign this year is "Every member a game warden." That is a good thought for every person in the parish. Not a game warden in point of enforcing the law but each person a game warden by limiting each days hunt to the bag limit and encouraging other persons to do the same. In the duck situation we are faced with a shortage this year. We must leave a goodly number of ducks to fly back north to meet and in turn fly back south next year.

Membership in the Webster Parish Wildlife Association is only $1.00 a year. Half of this money goes to the state association and half is retained by the local group. It is doubtful if you will be contacted individually for your membership because the men carrying out the drive will hardly have time to see everyone. With this thought in mind we are publishing a membership certificate which we are asking you to fill in and mail along with one dollar.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

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said electors at the next election for Representatives in Congress, to be held in Louisiana on the first Tuesday next following the first Monday in November, 1946.

Section 3. That on the official ballot to be used at said election there shall be printed:

FOR the proposed amendment to Second 36 of Article VII of the Constitution of Louisiana, giving the District Courts jurisdiction of appeals from judgments of Justices of the Peace regarding all misdemeanors involving violations of laws and regulations relative to fish, game and wildlife resources, or the taking thereof, of the State of Louisiana.

and also:

AGAINST the proposed amendment to Section 36 of Article VII of the Constitution of Louisiana, giving the District Courts jurisdiction of appeals from judgments of Justices of the Peace regarding all misdemeanors involving violations of laws and regulations relative to fish, game and wildlife resources, or the taking thereof, of the State of Louisiana.

and each elector voting on said proposition for so amending said Constitution shall indicate his vote relative thereto in the manner provided by the General Election Laws of the State of Louisiana.

Adopted at the Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana for the year 1946.

A true copy:

WADE O. MARTIN, JR.,
Secretary of State.

AMENDMENT No. 22

ACT No. 411

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to Article VI, Section 1 of the Constitution of Louisiana, conferring concurrent jurisdiction upon the District Courts in and for all parishes bordering upon the Gulf of Mexico, its arms or inlets, to enforce all statutes or regulations enacted or passed for the purpose of protecting, preserving or propagating wild life or salt water fish, shrimp, oysters or other aquatic life, in those cases where the violation of such statute or regulation occurs on, in or under the Gulf of Mexico within the territorial waters of the State of Louisiana.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of the members elected to each House concurring, That there shall be submitted to the electors of the State of Louisiana, for their approval or rejection, in the manner provided for by law, a proposition to amend the present Section 1 of Article VI of the Louisiana Constitution by adding thereto another sub-section, to be designated "(A-1)" and to read as follows:

(A-1) The District Courts in and for all parishes bordering upon the Gulf of Mexico or its arms or inlets shall have concurrent jurisdiction to enforce all statutes and regulations enacted or passed for the protection, preservation and propagation of wild life or salt water fish, shrimp, oysters or other salt water aquatic life in all cases arising from the violation of any such statute or regulation on, in and under the Gulf of Mexico within the territorial jurisdiction of the State of Louisiana; Provided that in case of the illegal operation of a vessel registered at a port in any one of said parishes the said vessel and all persons subject to prosecution in connection with such illegal operation shall be proceeded against in the District Court of the parish where such vessel is registered. Wherever any conflict arises between the provisions of this sub-section and other provisions of the Constitution, the provisions of this sub-section shall prevail. This sub-section shall be self-operative.

Section 2. That this proposed amendment shall be submitted to the said electors at the next election for representatives in Congress to be held in Louisiana on the first Tuesday following the first Monday in November, 1946.

Section 3. That on the official ballot to be used at said election there shall be printed:

FOR the proposed amendment to Section 1 of Article VI of the Constitution of Louisiana, authorizing District Courts of all parishes bordering upon the Gulf of Mexico to try all violations of fish and game laws occurring in the Louisiana coastal waters of the Gulf of Mexico.

and also:

AGAINST the proposed amendment to Section 1 of Article VI of the Constitution of Louisiana, authorizing District Courts of all parishes bordering upon the Gulf of Mexico to try all violations of fish and game laws occurring in the Louisiana coastal waters of the Gulf of Mexico.

and each elector voting on said proposition shall indicate his vote relative thereto, as provided by the general election laws of the State of Louisiana.

Adopted at the Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana for the year 1946.

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Public Hunting Club To Be Open This Season

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dollars) must accompany each reservation. The deposit of $16.00 (sixteen dollars) shall be forfeited if party does not use the reservation, unless the reservation not used can be sold to another party. Balance due on reservations shall be paid to club manager before leaving, if not paid in full at the time of making reservation.

Reservations are limited to two days. The maximum number of hunters per day is ten. Reservations for week-ends are restricted for resident hunters.

Hunters must provide their own guns, ammunition, and suitable personal clothing.

Three meals shall be served each day, breakfast, dinner, and supper. Any persons desiring lunches should prepare for them by bringing their own fruit or candy, crackers, and any other type of food they might desire for their lunch.

Parties holding reservations must be at Venice not later than 2:45 P. M. Will wait a reasonable time for arrival of Missouri-Pacific bus.

Each hunter must show his duck stamp. Those not having duck stamps must purchase them in Venice before boarding boat.

Louisiana hunting licenses, if necessary, can be purchased at the club from the club manager.

Each hunter must have a guide. Drawings will be held each night for guides.

One gun only will be allowed to a blind. Guides will not be permitted to have guns.

Shooting must stop promptly at ten o'clock A. M. Parties must return promptly to the club house.

TOTAL OF 188 ARRESTS MADE DURING SEPTEMBER

Enforcement agents of the Wild Life and Fisheries Department made a total of 188 arrests during the month of September. Arrests were made in 44 parishes and there were a wide variety of charges filed during the month, including hunting without a license, shooting frogs, trapping out of season, possessing under size shrimp hunting doves, etc.

Officials Make Inspection Trip Of Marsh Island

Officials of the Russell Sage Foundation of New York have just completed an inspection trip of Marsh Island, the 79,000 acre wildlife sanctuary located in Iberia Parish, and following conferences with Wild Life and Fisheries Commissioner Luther S. Montgomery and Armand P. Daspit, director of the Department's Fur and Refuge Division, have expressed themselves as being well pleased with the operation and program for development of Marsh Island.

The Russell Sage Foundation donated Marsh Island to the State of Louisiana for a wildlife sanctuary a number of years ago.

Participating in the conferences held in New Orleans prior to the inspection trip were Robert D. Elder and Harold T. White of New York, directors of the Russell Sage Foundation, Robert C. Milling, New Orleans representative of the Russell Sage Foundation, Commissioner Montgomery, Director Daspit and Harry P. Gamble, Department attorney.

Mr. Daspit outlined a program for the improvement of Marsh Island, which is to be made possible by funds from mineral leases on the sanctuary, and the program, which is to be undertaken, as soon as materials are available, was approved by the group.

HUNTERS ASKED TO AVOID SHOOTING NEAR TELEPHONE LINES

Persons who might have occasion to fire shotguns, rifles or pistols in the countryside near aerial telephone equipment are requested to be careful of communication lines. This request was made today by Vernon Baird, Louisiana Manager of the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company.

Mr. Baird revealed that there have been instances of damage to telephone equipment recently.

Even the tiniest shots may cut a telephone wire, shatter an insulator or otherwise cause disruption of service, he stated.

"Disruption of service even in normal times is serious. At this time, with telephone equipment handling the greatest volume of calls in telephone history, it is doubly important that interruptions be avoided," Mr. Baird said.

For these reasons, it is urged that extra caution be exercised by hunters and others when shooting near communication lines.

Deer Season Begins in Some Parishes Nov. 1

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clared what the effect would be, but in not taking any action at all, those parishes will probably not have any open season at all on deer.

The eleven parishes that have taken action to close seasons on deer are Allen, Bienville, Caldwell, Claiborne, Evangeline, Jefferson Davis, Lincoln, Natchitoches, Red River, Sabine, Webster, West Carroll and Madison.

The same provisions as in past years prevails on deer. That is, bucks only, are permitted to be shot, and the bag limit is 1 daily, and 2 a season. Night hunting with headlight or camp hunting for more than 3 days is forbidden. It is illegal to take fawns or deer with horns less than three inches long.

Forty-five of the 64 parishes have set dates for deer hunting this season and hunters are requested to obtain hunting dates in these parishes from the Department of Wild Life and Fisheries,

Committee Named To Confer With U. S. Officials

Major James Brown, director of the Fish and Game Division of the Department of Wild Life and Fisheries has been appointed a member of a committee to discuss changes in the Pittman-Robertson program with officials of the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

The committee, composed of fish and game officials from seven states, was appointed by I. T. Bode, director of the Missouri Conservation Commission, who was recently elected president of the International Association of Fish and Game Commissioners.

The committee will confer with Robert Rutherford, who is in charge of Pittman-Robertson work for the Fish and Wildlife Service. The committee plans to review the entire program with the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, especially the policy manual and regulations.

H. D. Ruhl of the Michigan Conservation Department is chairman of this committee. Others, in addition to Major Brown, are L. G. MacNamara of New Jersey; John Findlay of North Carolina; William J. Lowe of North Dakota; Lester Bagley of Wyoming and Elliott Barker of New Mexico.

Pittman-Robertson funds are derived from sales of sporting arms and ammunition and are allocated to States by appropriation of Congress on the basis of hunting licenses sold each year. The participating states contribute 25 percent, and the funds are especially dedicated for wildlife restoration and research projects.

TYPES OF VIOLATIONS WHICH OCCURED DURING SEPTEMBER

Angling Without License
Possessing Undersize Commercial Fish
Commercial Fishing—No License
Using Illegal Tackle to take Game Fish
Commercial Fishing with Illegal Tackle
Trawling Shrimp During Closed Season
Possessing Shrimp During Closed Season
Possessing Undersize Shrimp
Possessing Undersize Crabs
Fishing with Poisoning
Hunting Without License
Hunting At Night
Hunting During Closed Seasons
Hunting with Unplugged gun
Hunting Migratory Waterfowl During Closed Season
Hunting Doves During Closed Season
Hunting Squirrel During Closed Season
Hunting Rabbit During Closed Season
Shooting Frogs
Hunting Grosbecs
Trapping out of Season

SUNSET AND SUNRISE SCHEDULES AVAILABLE

Sunrise and sunset schedules for hunters of migratory waterfowl, showing 30-minutes before sunrise and 30-minutes before sunset in the various areas in Louisiana from November 23rd through January 6th, which are the dates for hunting ducks, geese and coots, have been compiled by the Wild Life and Fisheries Department and are available at all sheriff's offices, from all Wildlife Enforcement agents, or from the Department's offices at 126 Civil Courts Bldg., New Orleans.

DUCK HUNTERS!

The United States Fish and Wildlife Service invites you to join them on a big job. It needs plain, honest facts. It wants to know what you—the man in the blind with the gun—find out about ducks and geese during the present hunting season. The Service wants reports—purely voluntary reports—on results of your shooting. It wants your views on the waterfowl situation to help it work out fair regulations.

Here's how YOU can help:

1. Keep tally of the birds you bag, cripple, and observe this fall.
2. At the end of the season, send completed score card to the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Chicago 54, Illinois.

The Louisiana Wild Life and Fisheries Department is extending its cooperation to help gather this vitally needed information.

SCORECARD

How Many, What Kinds of Ducks Bagged	How Many Cripples Lost	Compared With Last Year Waterfowl Numbers Seen Where		
		More	Less	Same

SHOOTING GROUNDS (Check One)

Public Lakes and Streams	Commercial Hunting Clubs	Private Hunting Clubs

Where you hunted_____ How many days_____
State Parish

Comments:_____

Name_____

Date_____ Address_____

VIEWING THE NEWS WITH THE JUNIOR WILDLIFE CLUBS

By Walter L. Rather, Supervisor

October finds our Junior Clubs gathering up the loose ends and reorganizing for the fall, winter, and spring. A five month project on hunting and game birds and animals gets under way this month, with this project promising to be the best liked one yet undertaken. New counselors are on hand at Alexandria and Monroe. The Neville High Junior Wildlife Club has as their counselor Mr. McVea Olivier; the Bolton High Jr. Wildlife Club has Mr. Ransome T. Cole as their counselor. We are all sorry to lose Roger Combel at the Baton Rouge High Club counselor, but perhaps he can organize another club out there in his new Livingston Parish location.

Center of interest in the clubs at present is the conservation essay contest being held through October 15. Local club members have their eyes on the free trip to the Louisiana State Fair, on October 24 and 25, for each local club winner. Being eyed with interest also are the second and third place local club awards, with many members already considering as their own property the swell first and second place prizes being cooked up for the two best writings in the state. May the best junior sportsmen win!

On my last trip through the state I had a chance to send a few more outlaw crows to their well deserved death. My favorite weapon for eradicating these pests is a scope-mounted Savage 22 Hornet. This little bolt action does a man sized job in the field, and will shoot better than the balance of us can hold. Also seen on my trip was an increased number of hawks, principally of the large red shouldered and red-tailed variety. These two hawks are both beneficial ones and are protected by state law. They will be migrating into the state in large numbers for the winter, and it is the job of the junior sportsmen to protect these two large helpful hawks, that they may better clean up the winter holdover of rats and mice, in this way providing more grains and seed as food for the game birds.

One of the most important part of the outdoors is the behavior of outdoorsmen. This outdoor sportsmanship deserves a closer study, and I want to spend a few minutes doing just that.

In some sections of our country, and indeed, in parts of Louisiana, the hunter and fisherman are encountering more and more "Posted", and "Keep Out" signs. These increasing signs over large and more areas of game territory can become a serious and dangerous problem, in the eyes of the sportsmen. It can mean that hunting and fishing as we know it would no longer be possible for the public as a whole, but would be reserved only for the land owner and the exclusive clubs with their large areas of leased game reserves.

The average citizen of the community then could well sell his gun or rifle or fishing gear, because he would have no place in which to use his sporting equipment, he wouldn't need them any longer.

We sportsmen and junior sportsmen have had a tendency to cry on each others shoulders, think hard thoughts about the land owner and farmer, and "holler" to the various agencies for help. Actually we are as usual trying to fool ourselves into believing something that isn't so. And this is what we must clear up in our minds now, or reap the results, which will not be pleasing. The plain honest truth is that it is us, the so called sportsmen, who are causing this loss of game country in almost every case.

We have forgotten the meaning of the word "courteous". We have thrown reasonableness, tact, and friendliness out the window. Every closed area can practically always be traced to livestock killed by thoughtless hunters, property damaged or trespassed without consent, valuable woodlands burned over by a sportsman's careless match or other similar acts. In the place of bemoaning an apparent helpless condition we sportsmen had best get out the golden rule and learn and apply it over and over again. In place of our thoughtlessness, disregard, game hoggishness, and selfishness we must substitute some more applicable and sensible attitudes of friendliness, thoughtfulness, cooperation and care. The farmer and the landowners are basically fine people. When we as sportsmen will get out and meet and know and understand these fine people, we will have them as our friends. This matter of game activity, with so many sportsmen taking part in our game picture as it is today, requires a great deal of diplomacy and sincere good feelings on the part of **every one** concerned to put over our maximum game participation program. Be sure you are not the one who is falling down on the job.

Closely related is our attitude toward other hunters and fishermen in the field. If you or I do not know the proper sporting etiquette, then we had best stay home. No longer does one hunt or fish all day without seeing anyone, but whether we like it or not, we must continously share the game areas with others intent on the same activities we are. This is where the golden rule must come into play again. Be a sportsman and a gentleman while in the game fields!

PARISHES IN WHICH VIOLATIONS OCCURED DURING SEPTEMBER

Acadia	Jefferson
Allen	Lafourche
Ascension	LaSalle
Assumption	Livingston
Avoyelles	Madison
Beauregard	Morehouse
Bienville	Natchitoches
Bossier	Orleans
Caldwell	Ouachita
Catahoula	Plaquemines
Claiborne	Rapides
Concordia	Red River
DeSoto	Richland
E. Baton Rouge	Sabine
East Carroll	St. Bernard
East Feliciana	St. Charles
Evangeline	St. John
Franklin	St. Martin
Grant	Union
Iberia	Vernon
Iberville	Webster
Jackson	West Feliciana

OUTDOOR WRITERS OF STATE HOLD MEET

The Louisiana Outdoor Writers Association held a meeting last week in New Orleans and heard a discussion of Louisiana's quail problem led by Major James Brown, director of the Fish and Game Division of the Wild Life and Fisheries Department. Arthur Van Pelt, outdoor columnist of the Times Picayune, president of the LOWA, presided at the meeting. In addition to Major Brown, other guests at the meeting were officials of the New Orleans Sportsmen's League.

AGENTS PARTICIPATING IN SEPTEMBER ARRESTS

Cliff Ardoin	5
P. W. Babineaux	4
Angelo Benandi	8
Lupton Bergeron	4
J. W. Bates	3
Ivy Beard	9
Jos. L. Billiot	6
Levert H. Bird	3
J. L. Book	12
Chas. J. Boudreaux	2
Harmon Burgess	2
John Busalacchi	4
Edw. J. Carline	8
Jas. L. Carroll	5
Sam J. Chaze	1
Ernest Coats	3
Olney C. Coleman	4
Fred Cook	2
Mark Cooper	3
Ben C. Dahlen	13
Leslie Davis	6
Wilton Decuir	2
G. W. Deloach	2
Tom Duck	2
C. W. Elam	5
Edwin Fairbanks	2
J. Marvin Fallin	2
D. L. Farrar	4
John H. Flynn	8
T. H. Forman, Jr	5
John W. Gilbert	8
Allen Hawsey	1
E. B. Head	2
Clarence Hood	14
Maurice Huval	4
V. Jones	7
Wm. M. Jones	8
B. P. LeBlanc	11
Waldon LeBlanc	1
W. A. Lee	1
Louis LeLeux	1
W. J. McCauley	2
J. V. McConnell	2
Jas. McFerrin	6
R. S. Millikin	3
Earl Nugent	2
Sam Nunez	8
Wilfred Nunez	8
Chas. Olano	10
Ben E. Parker	1
Buford Patterson	3
W. C. Percy, Jr	3
Robt. J. Pertuis	9
Armand Petit	3
H. A. Pipes	6
W. J. Plattsmier	5
Ben Price	3
Cliff Reeves	3
Harry Reno	5
Geo. Savario	3
Lawrence Sintes	11
Edgar Stanfield	5
W. R. Stutson	10
Allen Swayze	8
Oliver Taunton	7
Frank Trocchiano	10
Earl Vaught	2
Paul Voitier	10
Hector Waguespack	3
L. C. Weaver	4
J. W. Wolfey	1
A. H. Willette	3